

April 2023 Retiree Newsletter

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Reminder

ERS does not take the following changes over the phone: **address**, **banking information**, **beneficiary changes or tax withholding elections**. This policy is to protect our retirees from fraud and/or identity theft.

If you need to make any changes, you can visit <u>www.cmers.com</u>, click on the green "Forms" button, and then click on the form you want to print. Once you have completed the form, send it to the ERS address listed at the top of the form. If you do not have online access, please call our office and ask to have the form you need sent to you.

The post office will not forward your pension check or direct deposit notification to a new address, even if you have completed a change of address form with the post office. You must notify ERS of any permanent or temporary address changes. If ERS does not have your correct address, the post office will return your check or direct deposit notification to our office. In addition, if you are having your mail temporarily held at the post office, your check or direct deposit notification will be returned to our office.

Tax Withholding

If you have completed your tax filing for 2022 and discovered that you owe too much or are getting a refund that is bigger than it needs to be, you may want to adjust the amount withheld from your pension payment. Withholding forms can be obtained by calling our office or by visiting the ERS website <u>www.cmers.com</u>. On the website, click on the "Forms" button, and then click on the form you want to print. Go to the second page, print the withholding form, complete it, and send to the address listed on the top of the first page. If you are unsure how much you should have withheld, please consult a tax professional. The ERS staff are not allowed to give tax advice.

2022 Tax Filing

If you need a replacement 1099-R tax statement for 2022 (or any earlier year), please contact the ERS office. Replacement forms for 2022 were issued, free of charge, through **April 18, 2023**. After that date all requests for replacement forms for 2022 and previous years will be filled only upon receipt of a \$15.00 processing fee per form. You will need to submit a check payable to the **Employes' Retirement System** and a note with your name, mailing address, social security number or payee ID number, and the year(s) for which you will need a replacement.

Investment Update

As of February 28, 2023, the fund value was \$5.62 Billion, and the year-to-date return was 2.3%, gross of fees.

May 2023 Pension Payments

- Payments will be mailed May 30th and payable May 31st.
- Direct deposits will be posted to your account on May 31st.
- Processing affidavits for lost April checks will start May 10th.

Other Dates of Note

- Cinco de Mayo May 5th
- Mother's Day May 14th
- Armed Forces Day May 20th
- Memorial Day May 29th – ERS OFFICE CLOSED

Recently Retired ERS Members

Christopher Carter- MPD* Keith Carter- MPS* Diane Cohen- MPS* Eli Cole- MPD Monique Foster- MPD Ronald Harper- DPW - Operations Ronald Heberlein- MPS Steven Jacquart- MMSD Regina Jagers- Health Cindy Johnson- MPS Lawanda Leflore- MPS Daniel Lopez- DPW - Fleet Donald Mac Kenzie- MFD Aaron Malvick- MPD Richard Matiszik-MFD David Melbye- MMSD* Janet Olsen- Health* Wallace Owens- DPW - Water Brian Pellett- DCD Angela Phillips- MPD* Rebecca Rabatin- DOA Richard Riley- MPD Frank Robinson-Health* Joel Rodriguez- MFD Claribel Rodriguez- MPS Dean Schumacher- MFD Douglas Slottke- DPW - Water Ann Smith- Library* Barbara Teipner Wargolet- ERS Brian Vila- MPS Willie Wade- MPS* Nancy Zach- MMSD* Kevin Zebro- MPD* Virginia Zerpa- Health*

*Deferred



In Memoriam ERS Retirees who have recently died: Christopher Allen-MPD Carol Bauer-MPS Harold Baumgartner-Municipal Equipment Angelo Bertoni-MFD David Bonar-MFD Hal Boston-MFD Hal Boston-MFD Carol Budish-MPD Louise Clinton-MPS Connie Cole-MPS Priscilla Fraser-MPS Edward Heidenreich-MPD Albert Hentz-MPD Denise Holloway-Common Council Clarence Ingram-MPS

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